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For: TUBULAR SAUSAGE CASING WITH A  
YARN TIE HAVING A METAL INSERT AND  
A PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION THEREOF

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